

Smith County

County seat: Carthage

Health Indicators

	SOC* 1996	SOC* 1992	% CHANGE
Percent of total population enrolled in TennCare**	22.7%	22.0%	3.2%
Percent of births lacking adequate prenatal care	24.9%	25.3%	-1.6%
Percent of low-birth-weight babies born	7.0%	11.6%	-39.7%
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	0.0	20.2	***
Child death rate per 100,000 children ages 1-14	71.3	0.0	***
Teen violent death rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-19	202.8	0.0	***
Teen pregnancy rate per 1,000 females ages 15-17	60.6	43.5	39.3%
Sexually transmitted disease rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-17	1324.5	312.5	323.8%

Social Indicators

Percent of students receiving special education	12.5%	8.0%	56.3%
Percent of high school (grades 9-12) dropouts	3.7%	4.5%	-17.8%
Indicated child abuse & neglect rate per 1,000	7.8	6.2	25.8%
Percent of children under 18 referred to juvenile court	1.9%	1.4%	35.7%
Rate of children in state care per 1,000	12.6	7.6	65.8%

Economic Indicators

Per capita income by county	\$16,291	\$13,612	19.7%
Percent of children under 18 who received AFDC	7.0%	7.9%	-11.4%
Percent of population receiving food stamps	10.0%	11.3%	-11.5%
Percent of children participating in the National School Lunch Program	28.3%	28.8%	-1.7%

* Acronym for The State of the Child in Tennessee for 1992 and current report, 1996.

** TennCare data is from 1994, the earliest year available

*** Small number of observations make the percent of change over time inadvisable.